

SAPPER TO TURN TABLE ON FAR VIEW IN FREEMANTLE ST. LEGER TOMORROW?

Confusion Bay Is Favoured For First Leg Of "Double"

BY "LAST QUARTER"

The Freemantle St. Leger for Australian Subscription Ponies of this Season will be the principal feature of the eight race programme to be presented by the Hongkong Jockey Club at their Tenth Extra Race Meeting tomorrow commencing at 2 p.m. In addition to this "classic" the afternoon's racing includes a two-mile race for "C" Class Australian ponies as well as two events confined to Novice Jockeys. These features should satisfy even the most exacting racing enthusiast and with every indication of brilliant weather and a hard and fast course, the racing should be well up to standard maintained since the resumption in late Sept.

In this opening mile event for Novice Jockeys, I am inclined to favour the chances of Advancing since he seemed full of running at the finish. This bay is quite fast Time, since this dun mare is a free off the barrier and if taken along easy during the early stages and not rushed up the rock, he should be amongst the leaders at the finish.

Chief opposition will be furnished by Avon and Conquering Time, both of which will carry plenty of tickets. The "Time" stable will also be represented by Resisting

Time, but I would prefer the first named, since Mr. Peter Wei will be in the saddle. Blue Diamond is the one to follow for big money, while a ticket each way on Jober

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SPORTS & GENERAL

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H.K.W.D.C. BOWLS COMPETITION

The following is the programme of matches in the H. K. W. D. C. bowls competition for Sunday, Nov. 8:

RECREO, 3 P.M.
1st Battery "A" v. 1st Battery "B"
K. C. C., 10 A.M.
No. 5 Coy. "A" v. 3rd Battery
C. S. C. C. 10 A.M.
5th Battery Y. Shadley "A"
K. F. C. 10 A.M.
No. 5 "A" v. A. S. C. Coy "A"

HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

Following is Sunday's programme for the opening day of the Hongkong Hockey Association's Tournament:

Police "A" v. A. N. Other XI.
Engineers v. 5th A.A., R.A. "A."
Nomads v. Khalsa.

University—2nd M.T.B.
5th A.A., R.A. "B" v. Police "B."
Signals v. Recreto.
C.B.A. v. Kumans.

QUEENSLAND HANDICAP

It will be difficult to find a genuine stayer amongst the "C" Class Australians, but judging by previous displays Picadilly Jim will probably last out the two miles better than the others. This chestnut is in good condition and under new colours and a stronger

jockey, should be good enough to account for the field. I do not know whether Centre Court will again try runaway tactics, but if not, this old favourite may secure a place. Venus Bay must also be watched and Cheerful Star is sufficiently fit to warrant consideration. Shuttlecock at 150 lbs. is a fair outsider.

ESSEX HANDICAP

For the first leg of the Daily Double we have a mile race for "A" Class Ch. na Ponies and Confusion Bay is my fancy. I do not know whether Cember will be starting, but Cralgavard is galloping nicely

every morning and should make a strong attempt for premier honours. Dupont Bay is very dangerous on account of the distance,

while O-Lan, provided Mr. Needa returns from Shanghai in time for the meeting, should not be neglected.

The pace will be fairly fast, especially with a few of the well-known sprinters in at low weights, but I have enough confidence in Confusion Bay to feel that the T.K.L. colours will be led in first after the race.

QUEENSCLIFFE HANDICAP

The quality is certainly far from outstanding in this six furlongs sprint for "D" Class Australians, so we will have to fall back on the old reliable ones. Tarzan and Stratcarrick are fast and with Colorado Star may finish in that order. The first-named has always been out in front and this time should have no difficulty in staying the distance, particularly if a more experienced jockey is given

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CLUB RUGBY TEAMS

FIRST XV v. POLICE

Kick Off at 4.30 p.m.

F. M. Thompson, M. G. Carruthers, G. G. Atkinson, D. G. Day.

D. H. Stewart, J. C. Charter, J. M.

Thomson, E. W. R. Hackett, I.

Macrae, R. E. Headman, R. C.

Gardiner, C. F. Needham, G. G.

Davies, A. J. C. Taylor (Capt.), A.

M. Kennedy.

Referee: Lieut. J. R. Pirie.

"A" XV v. ARMY "A"

Kick Off at 3.15 p.m.

H. F. Hopkins, H. van Leeuwan,

D. Hynes, P. B. Wilson, E. Jones,

T. O. Morgan, F. J. D. Clemo, C. M.

Stark, E. W. Stout, S. Lee, L. A.

Benn, J. Moodie, A. L. Thomas, G.

B. Godfrey, A. G. Dalziel.

Referee: Major E. J. Curran.

Both matches will be played on the Police Club Ground at Boundary Street on Saturday, Nov. 2.

ARMY CRICKET

Despite the fine bowling of Sgt. Wyre, who captured seven wickets for 42 runs, and who had seven

for 28 at one stage, the R. A. M. C. lost by 37 runs to the R. A. S. C. in a friendly cricket game at Son-

kunpo on Wednesday.

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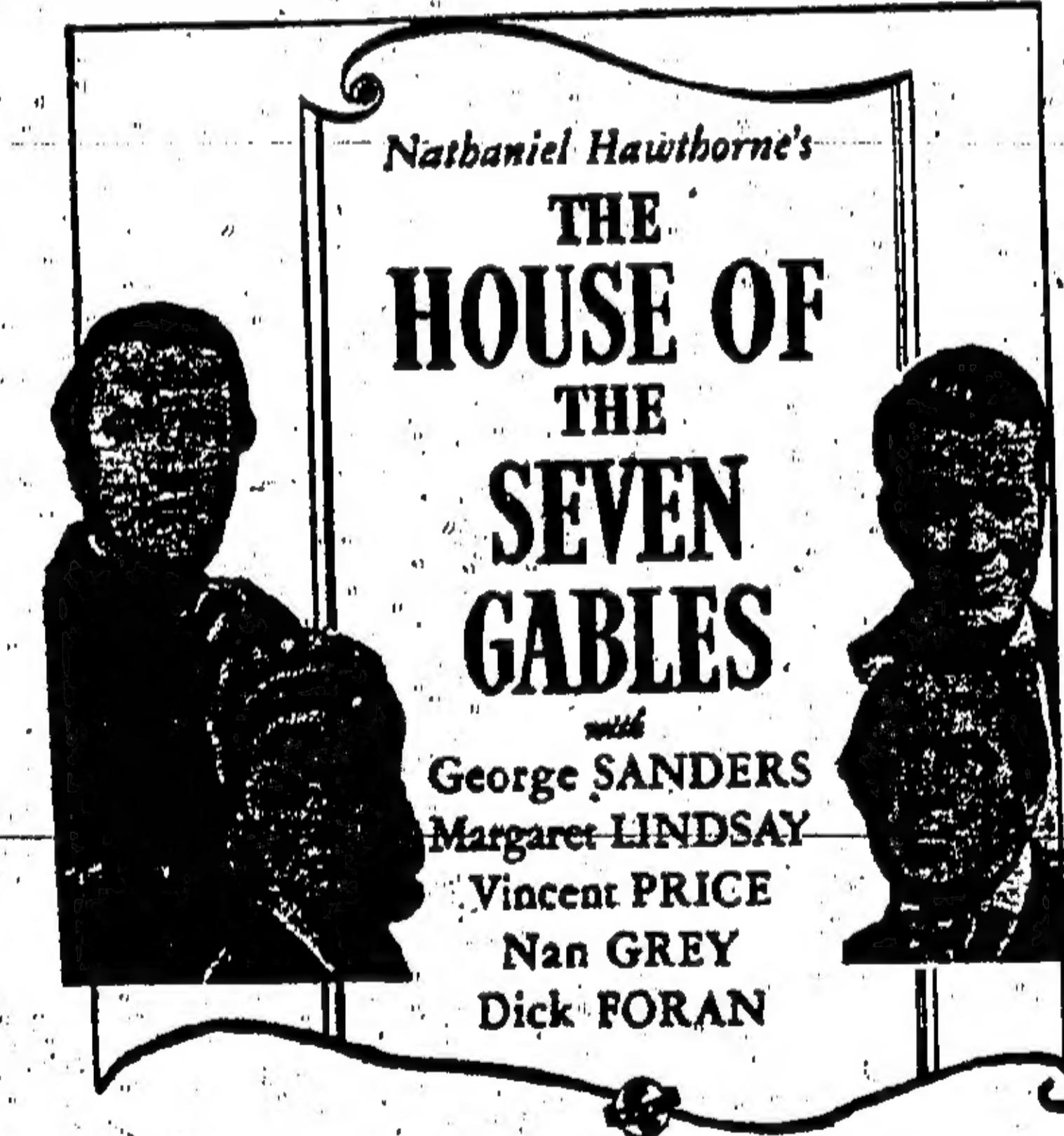
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"OF MICE & MEN"

STARTS TODAY AT
THE KING'S

Betty Field, the Hollywood actress who says "Unh-Unh" to glamour and means it, plays the role of Mae, the heroine of Hal Roach's production of "Of Mice and Men," the screen version of John Steinbeck's powerful novel, which has its initial showing at the King's Theatre today.

Produced and directed by Lewis Milestone, this new production co-stars with Miss Field, Burgess Meredith and Lon Chaney, Jr.

namesake, and scion of a great movie family. In the supporting cast of the film are such topnotchers as Charles' Hickford, Roman Bohnen, Bob Steele, Noah Beery, Jr., Granville Bates and Leigh Whipper.

The story of "Of Mice and Men" was transferred to the screen from a script based on the Broadway stage hit and written by Eugene O'Neill and dramatizes the life of the "bindle-stiffs" or migratory workers on Aguilar Ranch in California.

Against an impressive pictorial background, "Of Mice and Men" highlights the careers of two men—George and Lennie. It shows the hopes and dreams, the drama and out of the well.

COMING EVENTS

NOV.
1—Tides: High 10.35 a.m. and 8.15 p.m.; Low 4 a.m. and 3.30 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.27 a.m.; Sunset: 5.46 p.m.
All Saints' Day.
Christ Church Dance, Peninsula Hotel, 9 p.m.Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.
Inter-School Swimming Sports, V.R.C., 3 p.m.
Cheer Club, Darts and Table-Tennis.2—Tides: High 11.30 a.m. and 10.31 p.m.; Low 4.45 a.m. and 4.06 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.28 a.m.; Sunset: 5.45 p.m.
All Souls' Day.
Commemoration of All Souls: Solemn Obsequies in Happy Valley Cemetery, 5 p.m.School for the Deaf, Demonstration by Pupils, Heep Yunn School, 3.30 p.m.
Equine Sports Club Dance, Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.H.K. Jockey Club Tenth Extra Race Meeting, Happy Valley, 2 p.m.
Evacuation Advisory Committee, Public Session, Council Chamber, 9 a.m.3—Tides: High 12.30 p.m. and 11.10 p.m.; Low 5.35 a.m. and 4.39 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.29 a.m.; Sunset: 5.45 p.m.
Lecture on Religious Education, Chinese YM.C.A., Kowloon.4—Tides: High 1.32 p.m. and 11.46 p.m.; Low 6.25 a.m. and 5.12 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.30 a.m.; Sunset: 5.44 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.
Cigar Shop, Ltd., Meeting of Creditors, 12 noon.Meeting at Peninsula Hotel, address by Dean J. L. Wilson, 5.45 p.m.
Crown Land Sale, P.W.D., 3 p.m.

5—Tides: High 2.45 p.m. Low 7.20 a.m. and 5.45 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.30 a.m.; Sunset: 5.44 p.m.

Licensing Board Meeting, Council Chamber, 4 p.m.

H.K. Rotary Club Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m. (closed Meeting).

Kowloon Chess Club Junior Championships.

Claims against estate of David Brown due.

6—Tides: High 12.22 a.m. and 4.05 p.m.; Low 8.22 a.m. and 6.28 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.31 a.m.; Sunset: 5.42 p.m.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

7—Tides: High 1.23 a.m. and 5.24 p.m.; Low 9.30 a.m. and 8 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.31 a.m.; Sunset: 5.43 p.m.

Kowloon Chess Club Senior Championships.

H.K. Y.M.C.A. Men's Club Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.

Y.M.C.A. Variety Entertainment in aid of B.W.O.F.

8—Tides: High 3 a.m. and 8.20 p.m.; Low 10.30 a.m. and 10.40 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.32 a.m.; Sunset: 5.43 p.m.

H.K. Chamber Music Club, Concert at Government House, 9.15 p.m.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.
Dance at H.K. Hotel in aid of B.W.O.F.9—Tides: High 4.35 a.m. and 6.52 p.m.; Low 11.22 a.m. and 6.28 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.33 a.m.; Sunset: 5.42 p.m.

Cathedral Fete.

10—Tides: High 5.51 a.m. and 7.20 p.m.; Low 12.05 a.m. and 12.05 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.33 a.m.; Sunset: 5.42 p.m.

H.K. Golf Club, Jasper Clark Cup.

Lecture on Religious Education, Chinese YM.C.A., Kowloon.

Macau Races.

Claims against estate of Jean Dubois due.

11—Tides: High 6.56 a.m. and 7.43 p.m.; Low 12.58 a.m. and 12.42 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.34 a.m.; Sunset: 5.42 p.m.

Remembrance Day.

Charity Soccer Match.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

12—Tides: High 7.50 a.m. and 8.04 p.m.; Low 1.40 a.m. and 1.19 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.34 a.m.; Sunset: 5.41 p.m.

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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Dance Music by Jack Harris and His Orchestra.

Fox-Trots—Love is Here To Stay (film "The Goldwyn Follies"); Love Walked In (film "The Goldwyn Follies").

The Palais Stroll; Quickstep—The Blackbird Hop; Fox-Trots—When the Organ Played Ol' Promise Me; Please Be Kind; Waltz—You Got The Best of the Bargain; Fox-Trots—Plain Jane; Desert Star.

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5. 8.00 Blitz—Symphony No. 1 in C Major.

1. 1st Mov: Allegro vivo; 2nd Mov: Adagio; 3rd Mov: Allegro vivace; 4th Mov: Allegro vivace—London Philharmonic Orchestra.

9.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentaries.

9.30 London Relay—Talk: Books and People.

9.45 B.B.C. Recording—"Flying High" Part I.

Written and arranged by Alan Russell and Charles Brewer.

10.15 A Variety and Dance Programme.

Quicksnap—I hear bluebirds; Fox-Trot—This year's roses—Cecil Robin and His Strict Tempo Dance Band; Vocal—De Temps En Temps (Misaki); Sur Deux Notes (Galigrade); Josephine Baker and Orchestra; Piano—Charlie Kuhn Piano Medley; No. R. 23—Intro: A Star Fell; out of Heaven; Serenade in the Night; A Fine Romance; No Regrets; When the Poppies Bloom Again; This'll make you whistle—Charlie Kuhn with Rhythm accompaniment; Vocal—Le Dancer De La Valse (Carr); Son Coeur Est Pres De Vous (Carr)—Tino Rossi with Orchestra; Passable—Nino De Jevet; Rumba—Maracas—Teafaddi and His Orchestra; Humorous Sketch—Sandy Goes Fishing—Sandy Powell assisted by Little Peggy; Duet—Accord on Youth (from the film); By the Whirling Well (Himmler)—Curtis and Ames with Plant.

11.00 Close down.

7.30 Mark Weber and His Orchestra.

"Gelila"—Selection (Shirley Jones) Wine, Women and Song—Waltz (Strauss); Moonlight on the Alpine Waltz (Fetras). "Viktoria and Her Husser"—Selection (Abraham). Hall Vienna—Poppourri (Dostal).

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REASON WHY HITLER RUSHED TO FLORENCE

ZURICH, Oct. 31 (Reuter)—It is now revealed that Hitler's rush visit to Florence was for the purpose of healing a rift in the Axis line threatening as a result of Hitler's negotiations with M. Laval.

U.S. WARSHIPS LEAVE UNDER SEALED ORDERS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31 (Reuter)—The mysterious departure under sealed orders of five United States destroyers, 17 bombers and one seaplane tender from Key West led to much speculation which was heightened when Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, finally refused to state their destination.

Rumour is busy suggesting that the ships are bound for French Martinique, where differences between pro-Vichy and anti-Vichy partisans is reported to be nearing a climax.

While the five destroyers are inadequate to seize the island, if the French Navy offers resistance, it is known that other American units, including new cruisers, are in the Porto Rico region.

GREECE FIGHTING FOR INDEPENDENCE AND LIFE

LONDON, Oct. 31 (Reuter)—"Greece will bear the ordeals that lie before it with patience and dignity, and with God's help the Greeks will add a new page to their history," declared the Greek Minister, M. Simopoulos speaking at a luncheon in London yesterday.

M. Simopoulos said: "The time has come when we must fight for our independence and life. We know what these ideals are because they are ideals for which Greece has fought throughout the centuries, and we will be proud in fighting side by side with the British Empire for ultimate victory."

M. Simopoulos added that Greece has been the victim of a dastardly attack and premeditated aggression without any provocation whatsoever, and the attempt to find an excuse rendered the aggression more disgraceful.

LONDON, Oct. 31 (Reuter)—The Viceroy of India's war purpose fund, which is raised entirely from voluntary contributions, now totals 21,500,000.

REPORTS OF AN ITALIAN LANDING AT CORFU UNCONFIRMED

PETAIN ON DUTY OF FRENCHMEN

PERSONAL ACCOUNT OF RECENT TALK WITH HITLER

LONDON, Oct. 31 (Reuter)—Marshal Petain gave a personal account over the Lyons Radio last night of his meeting with Hitler. The Marshal emphasised that he went to the meeting of his own free will and had "entered the road of collaboration" without pressure.

The interview was only possible through the French people's dignity in the face of their ordeal and their enormous efforts towards regeneration, he continued.

"France has rallied. This meeting between the victor and the vanquished signified the first vindication of our country. I have been under no dictate by Hitler."

PRINCIPLES ACCEPTED

"The collaboration of our two countries was considered. I accepted the principles of it and the application will be discussed later."

As an admonition "to all who are inclined to deviate from our opinions" and "those who doubt and harden their hearts" the Marshal said that the first duty of Frenchmen is to trust.

"In the near future our country's suffering may thus be lightened, our prisoners' lot improved, the burden of occupation expenses lessened, the demarcation line may be rendered more flexible and the administration and provisioning of territory facilitated."

NUMEROUS OBLIGATIONS

"This collaboration must be sincere and without thought of aggression. France has numerous obligations to the victor but she remains sovereign. The Ministers are responsible to me alone."

"Previously I have spoken to you as father. Today I speak as a leader. Follow me."

ENEMY RAIDERS TURNED BACK

LONDON, Oct. 31 (Reuter)—Enemy raider formations which attempted a surprise daylight attack under cover of banks of dense clouds over the south-east coast area yesterday were again foiled by British fighters.

As they flew in from the sun, R.A.F. machines closed with them and scattered them in disorder and retreat.

Reports received up to 4 p.m. G.M.T. show that five aircraft were destroyed yesterday and that four British fighters are missing.

It was officially announced last night that two more enemy aircraft were destroyed yesterday, making a total of 30 shot down during the day.

GERMAN CLAIMS

LONDON, Oct. 31 (Reuter)—A German High Command communiqué broadcast stated that bombing units have again dropped numerous bombs on London and other military objectives in the south of England, such as the naval harbour of Portsmouth and that the munition dump in Great Yarmouth was also bombed with success.

Two ships were hit off Rangoon.

Italian planes participated in these operations.

"The enemy on Tuesday lost 47 planes. Seventeen German planes are missing."

FINAL COUNT

LONDON, Oct. 31 (Reuter)—Seven enemy aircraft have been destroyed so far yesterday and four British planes are missing, according to the latest official statement.

BALKAN ENVOYS CONFER IN EGYPT

CAIRO, Oct. 31 (Reuter)—Ministers representing the Balkan States met at the Egyptian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Tuesday in order to discuss the situation arising from the Italian invasion of Greece.

Hence the discussion of the detailed execution of the Franco-German collaboration agreement may proceed less smoothly than was at first expected.

LONDON, Oct. 31 (Reuter)—The Viceroy of India's war purpose fund, which is raised entirely from voluntary contributions, now totals 21,500,000.

GENERAL

Patras Raid Casualties: Cannonading Around Lake Prespa: Local Skirmishes

LONDON, Oct. 31 (Reuter)—Up to yesterday evening there was little accurate news here of the actual fighting in Greece although the latest reports indicated that the Italians have advanced slightly along the coast from Albania where two Italian divisions have advanced some five miles into Greek territory although they have yet to contact the main Greek defences.

Reuter's Diplomatic correspondent writes that military developments on the Albanian-Greek frontier are progressing very slowly and that there was no evidence of blitzkrieg methods though fighting at other points has deteriorated into local skirmishes in which the Greeks seem to be holding their own.

It appears that the Italians are using the same tactics the Nazis used in Poland—they are testing the defences to find their weak points.

The Greek High Command is aware that the main attack may not yet have been launched and has made the necessary preparations.

INFANTRY DUELS

Heavy artillery was in action in the offensive along the coast but at other points the fighting has been confined to infantry duels.

There is no official confirmation here of the reports that the Italians have landed on the island of Corfu and it is still denied that British troops are there.

FLORINA SHELLED

BELGRADE, Oct. 31 (Reuter)—Cannonading was clearly heard yesterday near Lake Prespa at the junction of the Greek-Albanian-Yugoslav frontiers.

The population has accepted the strict black-out regulations cheerfully in spite of the fact that on Tuesday night the authorities took a drastic step by cutting off all electric current except that required by essential services.

The complete mobilisation of Greece is rendered difficult for geographic reasons, but the staff work done under General Metaxas's guidance before the hostilities began is bearing fruit, and the plans are being carried out smoothly.

It is recalled that General Metaxas was one of the most brilliant cadets passed out by a German military school where he distinguished himself in strategy.

ATHENS ALARM

ATHENS, Oct. 31 (Reuter)—All these men, it is added, departed with a song on their lips.

All railway traffic across the frontier has been suspended pending mobilisation.

In the meantime the large Greek colony in Yugoslavia is anxiously awaiting re-opening of the frontier in order to join the colours.

ATHENS ALARM

ATHENS, Oct. 31 (Reuter)—

AIR TRAINING SCHEME AHEAD OF SCHEDULE

LONDON, Oct. 31 (Reuter)—The Empire Air Training Scheme, designed to produce 20,000 pilots and 30,000 air crews annually when in full operation, is already months ahead of schedule, declared Viscount Cranborne, the Dominions Secretary, speaking in London yesterday.

Canada and Australia, he said, each had 300,000 men trained or training.

Canadian destroyers were co-operating with the British Navy, and the Australian Navy, in the Mediterranean and the Red Sea was doing magnificent work.

RALLY ROUND EMPIRE

"In the Middle East, forces from South Africa, as well as from Southern Rhodesia and other parts of Africa stand alongside our own troops to defeat the Italian foe."

"Elsewhere in the same area, Australians and New Zealanders are massing while thousands of Canadians are in Britain eager to deal faithfully with Hitler's invasion."

Never had the British Commonwealth been more important than today, Lord Cranborne declared.

In the storm now shaking the foundations of the world, the British Empire stood like a rock against which winds and waves broke without weakening its essential strength.

MADRID, Oct. 31 (Reuter)—That General Franco will not be disappointed in his known desire to keep Spain out of war remains the prevailing sentiment in well-informed quarters.

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ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

KEEPING A GAMING HOUSE

Chan Fat, 39, unemployed, who pleaded guilty to a charge of keeping the first floor of No. 241, Lockhart Road as a common gaming house for the purpose of the sum, was fined \$50, or one month's hard labour, in lieu thereof, by Mr. Sheldon yesterday.

Det. Sgt. J. Benney said there were actually two men but the other ran away before he could be arrested. Money picked up and ordered to be put into the Poor Box was \$2.90.

ROBBERY CASE ADJOURNED

One the application of Det. Sub- Insp. R. Cunningham a remand of 48 hours was granted when Chan Cheuk, 25, unlicensed hawker, was charged before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett yesterday with conspiring together with Lo Kan and Cheng Tim on Oct. 12 to commit a robbery.

SNEAK THIEF FINED

Seen taking up a sweater belonging to Signalman D. Liang at the St. Joseph's Football Ground on Wednesday Ip Kam-shing, 20, unemployed, was arrested and charged before Mr. Sheldon yesterday.

A fine of \$20 or one month's hard labour was imposed.

STOLE FROM R.A.O.C. DEPOT

Chan Hung, 24, No. 1 store boy, R.A.O.C. Depot, appeared before Mr. Sheldon yesterday charged with larceny of two bars of soap, property of the military authorities, from the Depot on Oct. 30.

Defendant was seen by an Indian watchman handing the soap through the grille to a girl and was arrested.

EVIDENCE GIVEN BY L/Sgt. A. JACK

Evidence was given by L/Sgt. A. Jack, who identified the soap as those issued by him and Alia Didda who saw defendant handing the soap to a girl.

Lai Sai-mui, a 6-year-old girl, said accused gave her two bars of soap and asked her to wait for him when he finished work at 1 p.m. Lai said she did not know defendant.

A fine of \$50 or one month's hard labour was imposed by the Magistrate.

COMMITTED TO SESSIONS

A 20-year-old spinster, Chan Mui, was charged before Mr. G. T. Lowry yesterday with the unlawful possession of 27,000 heroin pills on Oct. 9.

Revenue Officer W. V. Ahern said that at about 2.30 p.m. on that day he, together with Mr. H. A. Taylor, Assistant Superintendent and Monopoly Analyst, I. and E. Department, and a party of Revenue officers, raided No. 122 Jaffe Road, first floor.

The door of the rear cubicle was opened by the defendant and on the bed he saw a rattan basket and a leather suitcase. Defendant produced the key to the basket which was found to contain clothing.

The suitcase, witness said, had to be forced open with a screw driver. In it were a number of packets which were found to contain heroin pills.

After evidence was given by Mr. Taylor, Chan, who reserved her defence, was committed to stand trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

FURTHER ADJOURNED

Hearing of the case in which Ip Fook, 56, described as an ex-official of the Chinese Government and Lam King, 35, comrade, were charged with the possession of forged notes of various currencies, was further adjourned to Nov. 4, at 3 p.m.

Det. Sub- Insp. W. N. Darkin is for the prosecution and Mr. Alfred S. E. Lau for the defence. The case is being heard before Mr. Barnett.

HEAVY DAMAGE IN BARRACKS INCENDIARY

Heavy damage was caused to the storeroom of the Mount Austin barracks at 3 a.m. yesterday morning when a fire broke out in the room.

Fire appliances from the Central Station and the Peak Station were quickly on the scene and the fire was extinguished within half an hour.

Although damage was believed to be severe no person sustained injury.

AT KOWLOON

DANGEROUS DRUGS

A fine of \$300 or, in default, three months in prison, was imposed by Mr. Q. A. Macfadyen yesterday on Ho Lin, 28, murdered woman, for possession of dangerous drugs.

Sgt. Alexander, who prosecuted, said that the defendant was arrested at Shanghai Street, near Dundas Street, on October 23, and at the Police Station, produced 1,000 heroin pills which she had kept in her inner jacket pockets.

DANGEROUS GOODS

Two boatmen, Cheung Kun-chun, 29, and Wong Pai, 38, were charged with possession of 38 sticks of dynamite and 33 detonators before Mr. E. Humsorth yesterday.

Sgt. Ross said that the ammunitions were found on board a sampan at Mirs Bay on October 26.

The first defendant, who failed to appear, had his \$100 bail estreated, while the second accused was fined \$30 or one month in prison. The ammunition was confiscated.

BLACK-OUT CASES

Appearing before Mr. Humsorth yesterday, Ho Chan, Co. woman, and Chan Mun, 26, shop girl, were charged with breach of Blackout Regulations. The first defendant, who was seen striking a match, was fined \$1, while the second, who flashed an unscreened torch outside the Prince's Theatre was similarly fined.

Five Chinese appeared before Mr. Macfadyen yesterday on the charge of flashing an unscreened torch were each fined \$5.

Wong Sze, 40, woman, who was similarly charged, had her \$1 bail estreated when she failed to appear.

For holding lighted joss-sticks, Wong Siu-ting, 45, and Leung Hang, 26, woman, were each fined \$5.

Another 14 Chinese who were charged with striking matches were each fined \$3 by Mr. Macfadyen.

OPIUM RAID

A woman, Ng Ho, 32, was charged before Mr. Humsorth yesterday with possession of 6,657 heroin pills at No. 72, Wansung Street.

R. O. Ahern said that the woman was seen coming out of the kitchen.

Mr. M. A. da Silva appeared for the defendant who was discharged, owing to insufficient evidence.

On the same raid, Tam Hing-ku, 36, was arrested. He was charged before Mr. Humsorth with possession of 378 heroin pills and heroin pipes and with keeping a heroin divan.

The accused, who pleaded guilty, was fined \$800 or, in default, 12 months in prison.

STOLE A PEN

Appearing before Mr. Humsorth yesterday, Kwok Yau, 22, was charged with larceny of one fountain pen from Lau Kwan, 52, teacher, at the Mongkok Ferry Wharf. The defendant, who had two previous convictions of larceny, was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

BLACK-OUT BURGLARY

Charged with breaking into a house and stealing a sewing machine, valued at \$50, Ho Wan-18, appeared before Mr. Macfadyen yesterday and was remanded for 24 hours. He forced open the front door of No. 6, Bowring Street during the black-out.

Mr. Macfadyen remarked that the offender would be more heavily punished when the offence occurred during the black-out.

Det. Sgt. C. Pope prosecuted.

OVERCROWDED BUS

For allowing the bus to be over-crowded, a conductor, Yip Mo, was summoned before Mr. Macfadyen yesterday. The conductor said that it was a festival day. He was fined \$5.

MANSLAUGHTER ALLEGED

Wong Tak, 40, unlicensed hawker, who was charged with manslaughter of an unknown Chinese male on October 12, appeared before Mr. Humsorth yesterday for a remand until Wednesday. The defendant is on \$100 bail.

FIVE ROBBERIES

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AIR RAID WARDENS INJURED

Two air raid wardens were involved in an accident during the black-out on Wednesday night when they were struck by the rear portion of a car which, ironically enough, was flying an A.R.P. flag!

The wardens, Mr. H. A. Bux and Mr. Ng Chin-chui, were walking along Leighton Hill Road when the accident occurred. They were treated by a doctor residing in the vicinity and were able to resume duty.

Another air raid warden, Mr. G. Razavet, sustained an injured lip and facial bruises when the car in which he was travelling collided with another during the black-out on Wednesday near the General Post Office.

CLAIM FOR DAMAGES

An action claiming \$539 damages was brought before Mr. Justice Williams at the Summary Court yesterday.

The plaintiffs in the case were the Sang Yuen Firm of Macao, who were represented by Mr. C. D'Almada, and the defendants were the Fook On Steamship Company, of No. 185, Connaught Road Central, represented by Mr. D. B. Evans.

The claim was brought following the non-delivery of three bags of goose feather and three bags of ducks feather valued at \$339.42. The goods were consigned to a firm in Hongkong by the plaintiff firm through a Fook On Steamship Co. vessel. The plaintiff alleged that it was negligence on the part of the defendant that caused the non-delivery.

Hearing was adjourned to Nov. 14.

HOSPITAL PATIENT FOUND HANGING

A Chinese patient at the French Hospital was found hanging at the back of the hospital yesterday morning. A resident of No. 295 Main Street, Shaukiwan, the patient, Ng Ah Mui, 29, was admitted on Tuesday suffering from malaria. Suicide is suspected.

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NO RED FLAG

Cheung Tai-hau was fined \$7, with the alternative of seven days imprisonment with hard labour, by Comdr. J. Jolly at the Marine Court yesterday for failing to show a red flag at the tail end of a cargo of long planks he was carrying in his boat near the Kowloon Godown on Oct. 30.

The fine was not paid.

NO LICENCES

In the same Court, Lee Yeung, 30, Chan Kar-40; and Cheung, 31, masters of unlicensed boats, all of Pun U were fined \$3 each, with the alternative of 14 days' imprisonment, for being in the Colony's waters on Oct. 30 near Stonecutters Island, having failed to take out licences from the local harbour authorities. The fines were paid.

BLACK-OUT OFFENCES

Seven Chinese, masters and mistresses of craft plying in the harbour appeared before Comdr. J. Jolly at the Marine Court yesterday to answer charges preferred against them in connexion with infringement of the Black-out regulations on Oct. 30.

The defendant pleaded guilty to exhibiting lights at the Yau-mati shelter at 8 p.m. on the night in question, and were fined \$5 each, with the alternative of five days' imprisonment.

Five robbers

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GENERAL

SCOTTISH COY. CELEBRATES HALLOWEEN

Members of the Scottish Company of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corp had a very enjoyable evening yesterday when they held their annual "Hallowe'en Dinner" at the Talcott Club.

Major H. R. Foray, Officer Commanding the Scottish Company, proposed the toasts to H. M. the King and Queen and Dr. G. D. R. Black, O. H. H. replied on behalf of the guests.

Those present included Dr. G. D. R. Black, Chieftain of "St. Andrew's Society, Lt.-Col. D. J. McDougall, M. C. Officer commanding the 2nd Bn. of the Royal Scots Regiment, Lt.-Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, O. B. E. Cmdr. J. Petrie, D. S. C. (H. K. N. V. F.) Major S. F. Hedgecock, of the 1st Bn. Middlesex Regiment, Maj. S. Scott, Mr. A. S. Macleod, ex-Chieftain of St. Andrew's Society, Wing-Commander A. E. S. Steele-Peterson, Director of A. E. P. and officers commanding various units of the H. K. V. D. C.

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The action was brought by Mr. Frank W. White, who claimed the sum of \$300, being commission due to him on business introduced by him to the defendant.

At the previous hearing, Mr. White alleged that he had introduced three clients to the defendant and contracts were signed to the value of \$1,200. The defendant had verbally promised him 25 per cent. commission.

Giving judgment, Mr. Justice Williams said that in this case he had to believe one of the two parties and as Mr. White was the plaintiff, the responsibility rested on him to prove the case. He found that the evidence given by the plaintiff was not clear.

Mr. W. M. Brown appeared for the defence, while Mr. H. N. Chan

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Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

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No. of Sale	Regd. No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
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NEW NAZI FOOD TRICK

THERE IS a deal of significance in the comments made in a recent talk in London by Sir Frederick Whyte, former President of the Legislative Assembly in India and later Political adviser to the National Government of China, on the food situation in Europe, particularly as it relates to France. Sir Frederick endorsed the opinions of agricultural experts that there was plenty of food in Europe and that there was no fear of a shortage if it was distributed fairly through normal channels. This, however, is just what the Germans cannot, or will not, do and Sir Frederick referred to the fact that the people in the occupied areas were being compelled to sit back silently and watch trainloads of food being removed from their countries to help to feed Herr Hitler's mammoth war machine and the civilians of Germany, so as to prevent discontent from breaking out in Nazi Germany itself. In such circumstances, of course, a shortage of food for the conquered people is inevitable and the extravagance with which the German fighting forces are fed, makes it incumbent on Herr Hitler to obtain all the food supplies he possibly can to satisfy their requirements.

THE CHIEF SOURCE of food supply today is the United States and repeated attempts have been made by the Germans to obtain food for what they describe as the starving people of Europe, the responsibility for which they have tried to place on the British blockade. A new trick to win the confidence of the American people to secure this food is now being played. The statement by the Vichy Ambassador in Washington, denying the reports of the sell-out of France to Herr Hitler, is obviously meant to convey to the United States the impression that any food sent by America to the French people to help them over the shortage, caused by German pillaging their crops and stocks, can be securely held by them for their own use, as the Vichy Government has refused to compromise with the Nazis. The United States is doubtless wise to this trick. She knows, from past experience, that if she begins to help France with her surplus stocks of wheat she will be playing the Nazi game and postponing the time, as Sir Frederick Whyte said, when Europe could throw off the Nazi yoke. The ruse is a new one of cunning diplomacy, but has not deceived the Americans.

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GERMANY WILL HAVE PREPONDERANT INFLUENCE IN VICHY INNER COUNCILS

MARSHAL PETAIN'S RADIO SPEECH OF HIS COLLABORATION WITH HERR HITLER IS REGARDED IN LONDON, BY MOST COMPETENT OBSERVERS, AS PROVING TWO FACTS:

- (1) He has found it necessary to reassure his disquieted countrymen; and
- (2) Germany, through M. Laval, will have a preponderant influence in the inner councils of Vichy.

In return for this collaboration with Germany, Marshal Petain offered his countrymen the return of the Government to Paris, and the release of prisoners of war. Marshal Petain was at pains to point out that "I accepted the principles, but their application will be discussed later."

NIGHT GIVE PARIS

THE TIMES examined what the Petain Cabinet hope to get by giving in to the German terms. It says: "It will not improve the conditions of Frenchmen for the rest of the war. It might give them Paris and this will probably weight most with the French people. The Germans, however, will still pay the French for food with valueless German marks."

According to a Reuter message, General Nogues, Resident General and Commander-in-Chief of French Morocco, has decided to resist if the Vichy Government orders him to surrender either to Spain or to the Axis, says a Madrid message to the NEW YORK TIMES.

ITALY UNWILLING

ZURICH, Oct. 31 (Reuter)—Italy will shortly participate actively in negotiations with Vichy, according to the belief of political observers here.

This is based on the fact that Italy is unwilling to accept the Franco-German agreement and that it would not fully satisfy the Italian claims.

A definite peace between France and the Axis is believed to be much more remote than last week when Germany appeared willing to make large concessions to France to secure strategic advantages.

This conclusion is partly due to the emphasis that Marshal Petain laid in his broadcast on the need for the maintenance of French

unity, defence of French soil and honest co-operation "excluding all thought of aggression."

NO PESSIMISM

LONDON, Oct. 31 (Reuter)—There is no need for pessimism regarding Marshal Petain's efforts to obtain from the Germans amelioration of France's position, according to well-informed circles in London.

There are, it is stated, no indications that Marshal Petain in his talks with Hitler, has betrayed his former ally. What mainly emerges from his broadcast is his hope for amelioration of the intolerable conditions, one of which is Germany's claim for francs 400,000,000 daily as expenses of the German occupation.

This is far more than what Germany has asked to pay after the last war. Marshal Petain also hopes to secure an alteration in the demarcation between occupied and unoccupied France and the betterment of the lot of French prisoners or, if possible, their release.

NOT KNOWN

What concessions Marshal Petain proposes to give the Germans in exchange, are not known, but he stated that the details will probably be available shortly.

In this connexion, an illuminating article was published in the French newspaper, MOROCCO, which is the official mouthpiece of the French Administration there.

In Wednesday's issue, General Weygand warned the whole of the Moroccan people that all stories about peace preliminaries, involving the concession of any part of the French metropolitan or colonial possessions, or the concession of bases anywhere within the French Empire for enemy use, were devoid of foundation.

Axis Rift In The Offing?

ITALY WANTS FULL COMPENSATION

LONDON, Oct. 31 (Reuter)—Italy's anxiety over the arrangement which Herr Hitler has been trying to make with the Vichy Government is clearly reflected in a Berlin dispatch to the official Italian news agency yesterday.

The dispatch suggests that the Italians have successfully objected to any Franco-German settlement which would deprive Italy of her fruits of victory in exchange for French aid against Britain.

Quoting authoritative German quarters, it says that in Herr Hitler's talks with M. Laval and Marshal Petain, "not only was no formal agreement reached but no special problem was even discussed."

NEW ORDER

The talks, it adds, were solely concerned with "the general plan of the part France wishes to play in the new European order" following the Axis victory."

The dispatch concludes: "a new European dispensation" cannot fail to take account of the fact that it was France which started, provoked and lost the war and that for this she must pay in full."

LAVAL RETURNS TO PARIS

LONDON, Oct. 31 (Reuter)—M. Laval is back in Paris from Vichy and will remain there until the end of the week, the Paris Radio announced yesterday.

Presumably he has returned to Paris to continue the negotiations with the Nazis.

Reports from Berlin state that Nazi officials there say that Hitler's talks with M. Laval and Marshal Petain have not resulted in any formal agreement, or adjustment, but were concerned with the "fundamental questions of France's future."

The talks, according to these Berlin official circles, merely recognised that "France declared

AIR MARSHAL ON

NEW METHODS FOUND TO COUNTER TACTICS BY GERMAN RAIDERS

"Whereas at first London was the main target of the German airmen and as many as 200 raiders came over at a time to attack our capital, the present procedure is to reduce the number over London and to use more of them over the provinces," said AIR MARSHAL SIR PHILIP B. JOUBERT DE LA FERTE, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., in a talk in London last night.

"Ruthless bombing is taking place on an extended scale over the country districts. Back in August, when the first mass raids began, they came over at night flying at about 12,000 feet and suffered very heavily from our anti-aircraft fire.

Beaverbrook Thanks Britons In China

SHANGHAI, Oct. 31 (Reuter)—

The Voluntary War Contribution Fund has received the following telegram from Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Aircraft Production:

"Ever generous in their support of the R.A.F. the British communities in China continued to bring inspiration to the people of Britain, who today sustain the full fury of the Nazi onslaught."

"They gave up this practice very quickly. From 12,000 feet they went up to 14,000, then 18,000 and finally 20,000 feet.

"From flying straight and level, they began to twist and dive and to turn from right to left to avoid the intensity of our anti-aircraft fire."

"Sir Philip said that new methods had been explored to meet these tactics and these were already beginning to bear fruit. It was far too soon to make any claims, he said, but they were taking a toll more regularly of enemy bombers now."

"OTHER TACTICS

"I would be the last to suggest that the German airmen are lacking in courage and determination," went on Sir Philip, "but we are countering their methods slowly and steadily and they will soon have to adopt other tactics when they come over."

"We still have a long way to go, however, before we can be able to sleep in peace, at least in London."

"Sir Philip mentioned that Wednesday was a particularly good day for the British defences for the Germans had lost heavily in comparison to their previous losses.

"Twenty-five machines had been shot down and the British losses were seven machines and three pilots.

"Within the last few days we have been able to welcome the Italian Air Force to our shores," declared Sir Philip, "but they did not stay long enough to make our acquaintance."

"Sir Philip referred to the great sleep up of training that was going on in England."

"INCREASING THREAT

"Everywhere," he said, "camps, aerodromes and training schools are working to produce our fighting forces, which from now on will be an ever-increasing threat to German domination."

The Air Marshal also referred briefly to the Italian invasion of Greece and to the situation in the Balkans.

"So far, the Greek resistance is hopeful," he declared, "but we must remember that backing up Signor Mussolini's legions are the German forces. German bombers, those foul birds of prey, are already making their way through Rumania to help the Italians."

"All the help in our power must be given to the Greeks so that it will be possible to deal a heavy blow to Italy."

"GERMAN INFLUENCES

Referring to the Balkans, Sir Philip said that at one time he had great hopes that Yugoslavia would remain a friend of liberty.

"After the last war, however," he stated, "certain influences from Germany set to work on the country and for the present, at any rate, German propaganda has been

successful in assuring the neutrality of Yugoslavia."

"CENTRAL COURT DAMAGED

It is now revealed that Leicester

Square, the centre court at Wim-

bledon and the Dutch Church at

Austin Friars are among the places

damaged during the recent air

raids on London.

British Wireless adds: "Early this morning, a single enemy aircraft dropped bombs on a town in South-East England. Some damage was done and casualties caused including a small number of persons killed."

"Attacks were not heavy and the

damage was slight and casualties few. Five of our fighters were lost on Wednesday, but one pilot, is

safe."

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1 Dinner Service
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2 Dining Room Suites
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on Monday, the 4th November, 1940, commencing at 10.30 a.m.

at their Sales Room, No. 35, Han-kow Road, Kowloon.

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LAMMERT BROS.
AUCTIONEERS

KUNMING, Oct. 31 (Central)—The National Relief Commission has remitted \$100,000 to the Yunnan Provincial Government for the relief of Yunnan air raid victims.

To date over 250 essays and literary pieces have been received.

Hunan Plays Important Role In War Of Resistance

Rich in manpower and natural resources, Hunan is not only self-sufficient but is in a position to make substantial contributions to the country, said Mr. Yu Chi-chuan, Commissioner of Reconstruction, in an article reviewing Hunan's role in the present national crisis, just published here.

First, the article says, Hunan is abundant in food supply. The province has a total area of 35,000,000 mu of rice-producing fields and the yearly harvest totals 125,000,000 mu. With the authorities sparing no efforts to encourage more extensive cultivation, production is expected to be further augmented.

Secondly, the article continues, the province plays an important role in the country's export trade. The principal products for export are tung oil, tea, hemp, minerals, bristles, and cereals. Since the start of the war, both production and export of these commodities have been greatly increased. The export of tea alone during the past two years amounted to some \$10,000,000.

In mining and industrial enterprises, the article further states, the province is making good progress. Hunan occupies the premier place in the production of antimony in the world, while its production of zinc, manganese, and sulphur leads all provinces in China. The province is also rich in the ores of the two vital necessities of heavy industries, namely, iron and coal.

Our View from Monday, the 4th November, 1940.

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GENERAL

TRUCK DRIVERS' COURAGE IN RACE OVER BURMA ROAD TO CHINA

SINGAPORE, Oct. 24.—No one enjoyed the reopening of the Burma-China road any more than the men who are responsible for the hazardous task of driving the hundreds of trucks which carry munitions and other war supplies into Free China.

Travelers, arriving here today from Rangoon said that great enthusiasm was displayed by the intrepid truck drivers as they sped away from the docks of Rangoon in well-spaced caravans to race over the dangerous road to China.

During the three months that the road was closed, the hundreds of trucks were overhauled and put into condition for the time when military traffic would again be

ROAD IMPROVED

Thousands of coolies worked to improve the road so that today many of the dangerous places are comparatively safe. Hairpin turns were widened, bridges were strengthened and the road's surface improved to permit trucks to travel at faster speeds than were possible before.

The political, military, economic and social significance of the reopening of the road has been tremendous. Its temporary closure was regarded by many in this area as a mistake made with good intentions. Great Britain hoped, without justification as it turned out, that Japan would make use of the three months the road was closed to re-orient her foreign policy and make an offer to China permitting conclusion of an honourable peace.

When Japan decided to cast her lot with Germany and Italy in a tripartite alliance, it became clear to Britain that no good purpose would be served in keeping the Burma road closed.

British residents of Singapore and Burma disliked the closing of the road because it smacked of appeasement.

MUCH-MISAPPREHENSION

Although thousands of trucks have made hundreds of trips over China, more than 20 are consumed en route.

CHINESE PUZZLE

CHUNGKING, Oct. 31 (Central)—In order to encourage more entries the date for closing the Literary Contest for Women sponsored by the Women's Advisory Committee of the National Association for the Promotion of the New Life Movement has been postponed from October 31st to the end of the year.

The Contest was announced in Chungking on March 8, International Women's Day, when Madame Chiang Kai-shek, who is Chairman of the Women's Advisory Committee of the National Association for the Promotion of the New Life Movement, offered N.C. \$3,200 prizes for the best 20 essays and other forms of literary works by budding women writers.

To date over 250 essays and literary pieces have been received.

The following remarks on the Chinese have been culled from a private letter received by the last mail from the South African Chess expert, author and poet, Mr. Huxley St. John Brooks:

"Of course in many ways the Westerners are crude barbarians compared with Easterners. I have been reading—and loving—it Lin Yutang's 'The Importance of Living'." He is a Chinese scholar steeped in the Chinese Classics, but at the same time possessing a complete European—or rather American—education. You can just imagine the fascinating mixture. I hope you will not think I am posing when I say that for many years I have felt that the Chinese are the only really civilized people (or were till the fall of the Manchu dynasty). Compared to the inhabitants of the Flower Land the other nations—and especially the Europeans are nothing but barbarians."

"Lin quotes Confucius extensively and it pleases me somewhat to verify his quotations in my own edition of Confucius, which has the Chinese and the English text, one above the other and copious notes." (Ceylon Observer).

While the machine industry is not so well developed, the handicraft industries such as spinning and weaving and paper manufacture, have been making big strides in recent years.

Finally, the article says, Hunan has an abundance of manpower.

In addition to its contribution to the fighting services, the population of the province has been mobilized for national defence and reconstruction projects, such as

road building, railway construction, and development of telegraph and telephone communications. Good

results have been achieved in all these projects, the article concludes. (Central News).

CARDS FROM LEAVES

Visiting cards from cured palm-leaf leaves!

This is one of the interesting uses for the palm-leaf which has been discovered by the rural development officer at Jiajia.

It appears that after certain experiments it has been found that high quality visiting cards can be made from palm-leaf which have been dried and cut to the desired size.

The bigwigs of the Department of Commerce and Industries have pounced on the idea, and the cards are already proving popular in Colombo and Jaffna. (Ceylon Observer).

WINTER RELIEF FUND

CHUNGKING, Oct. 31 (Central)—Mr. Ku Ching-hui, manager of the Ta Lin Silk Factory, Shanghai, was kidnapped by eight ruffians, from his residence at Yung Chong Li, East Yu Hang Road, in Japanese-controlled Hongkew, Tuesday evening. He was forced into a motor car and carried away.

A.R.P. ORDERS

(Continued from Yesterday)

CORRESPONDENCE

Advice of changes of address, applications for leave, etc. must be forwarded through District and Divisional Wardens and not be sent direct to A.R.P. Headquarters. Divisional Wardens must bring this to the attention of all Wardens.

MEETINGS

Attestation of Wardens.—The next attestation of Wardens will take place in Hongkong on Tuesday, Nov. 5, at 5.45 p.m. and in Kowloon on Wednesday, Nov. 6, at 5.45 p.m.

TRAINING

Sector Exercises.—An exercise will be held in Sectors Nos. 53, 58, 54, 52 and 51, District "D" Upper Levels Division on Sunday, Nov. 3, at 08.15 hours.

INSTRUCTIONAL COURSES

Telephonists' Course—Kowloon—(E. 33)—Lectures will be given at the A.R.P. Club, King's Park, Kowloon, on Mondays and Fridays, at 5.45 p.m. and not on Wednesdays, as stated in A.R.P. Order (No. 42) issued last week. Warden's Classes in Chinese—C. 246 Queen's College, Hollywood Rd, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 7.30 p.m. commenced on Oct. 26. Lecturer:—Mr. Cheng Klin-wah, L.A.R.P.S.; C. 247 A.R.P. School, Happy Valley, Mondays and Thursdays at 7.30 p.m., commencing on Oct. 31. Lecturer:—Miss P. Chak, L.A.R.P.S.; C. 248 A.R.P. School, Happy Valley, Wednesdays and Saturdays at 7.30 p.m., commencing on Nov. 2. Lecturer:—Mr. Chui Keung, L.A.R.P.S.; C. 249 Ella Kadoorie School, Hospital Road, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 6 p.m. commencing on Nov. 2. Lecturer:—Mr. Li Man, L.A.R.P.S.

FIRST SCHEME

The first scheme for a road linking Burma and China was drawn in 1860. A caravan trail has long existed between the two countries. But it was not until the outbreak of the present Sino-Japanese hostilities in 1937 that the Chinese government took up the project seriously and appropriated money for construction work.

Those acquainted with the road estimate that 20 to 25 miles per hour is a fair average speed for through traffic. The entire trip can be made comfortably in six days by truck and in three days by automobile, barring breakdowns.

Trucks transportation costs for transporting materials over the highway are estimated at US\$100 per ton. Out of every 100 drums or gasoline transported into

EXAMINATION RESULTS

At an examination held recently, the following qualified as Air Raid Wardens but are not available for A.R.P. Service:—Ng Yun-fun, Ng Chi-keung, Ko Chi-ang, Andrew Mar, Fung Po-kan, William Wu, Miss Ho Lai-chuen, Ha Kit-wing, Mrs. L. Richards and Mrs. M. E. Lee.

STRENGTH-INCREASE

The following qualified as Air Raid Wardens at an examination held recently and are posted as hereunder:—Tsimshatsui Division—H. 1558 E. M. Alarcon, H. 1562 J. M. Rozario, H. 1630 Miss Choy King-fong; Shamshuipo Division—H. 491 Miss Im Ka-bik, H. 1477 Miss Chen Shiu-shee; Mongkok Division—H. 1469 Law Shun-jung; Yaumati Division—H. 494 Ma Tack-hee, H. 224 Tong Mun-sun, H. 1383 Miss Mc Wal-sang, H. 1389 Wong Wa-sans, H. 1390 Wong Ying-kit, H. 1391 Miss Yeung Wan-fun, H. 1393 Miss Cheung Shau-ying, H. 1394 Chau Tze-ping, H. 1395 Miss Chan Sau-man, H. 1396 Kwong Shiu-hol, H. 1397 Lee Shu-tong, H. 1398 Lee Wah-theung, H. 1399 L. Kam-sing, H. 1400 Miss Lo Kiu-kwan.

NOTICE

Will the following Wardens please send their present addresses to A.R.P. Headquarters, 88, Morrison Hill Road, Happy Valley.

K. 506 Chan Kee-wing, lately of Mongkok Division; H. 572 Chan Bing-kuen, lately of Eastern Division; Correspondence to the Divisional Warden, Aberdeen, Ip Wan-tsung, should be addressed to 288, Main St., 2nd floor, Aberdeen, and not to Aberdeen Industrial School.

Western Division—Sector Exercises will not be held on Thursday, Oct. 31. The next Sector Exercise will be held on Nov. 7, at 17.30 hours.

(Sgd.) B. H. FUCKLE,
Deputy Director of
Air Raid Precautions.

DECREE NISI

A decree nisi was granted by the Chief Justice, Sir Athol MacGregor, at the Supreme Court yesterday to Mrs. Elsie Lee, who succeeded in her petition for the dissolution of her marriage to Mr. James Y. Lee.

The Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jr., instructed by Mr. G. K. Hall Bruton, appeared for the petitioner.

RIDING ACCIDENT

A riding boy from the Dynasty stable met with a nasty accident while exercising one of the new Australian griffins on the race course yesterday morning. The boy was picked up in an unconscious condition but was not seriously injured.

HUNAN TO PRESENT PLANES TO GOVT.

CHANGSHA, Oct. 31 (Central)—People in Changsha are raising funds for the purchase of a plane to be presented to the National Government. It will be christened "Changsha Workers".

People in Sianfan, 27 miles southwest of Changsha, are also raising funds for a plane to be christened "Sianfan".

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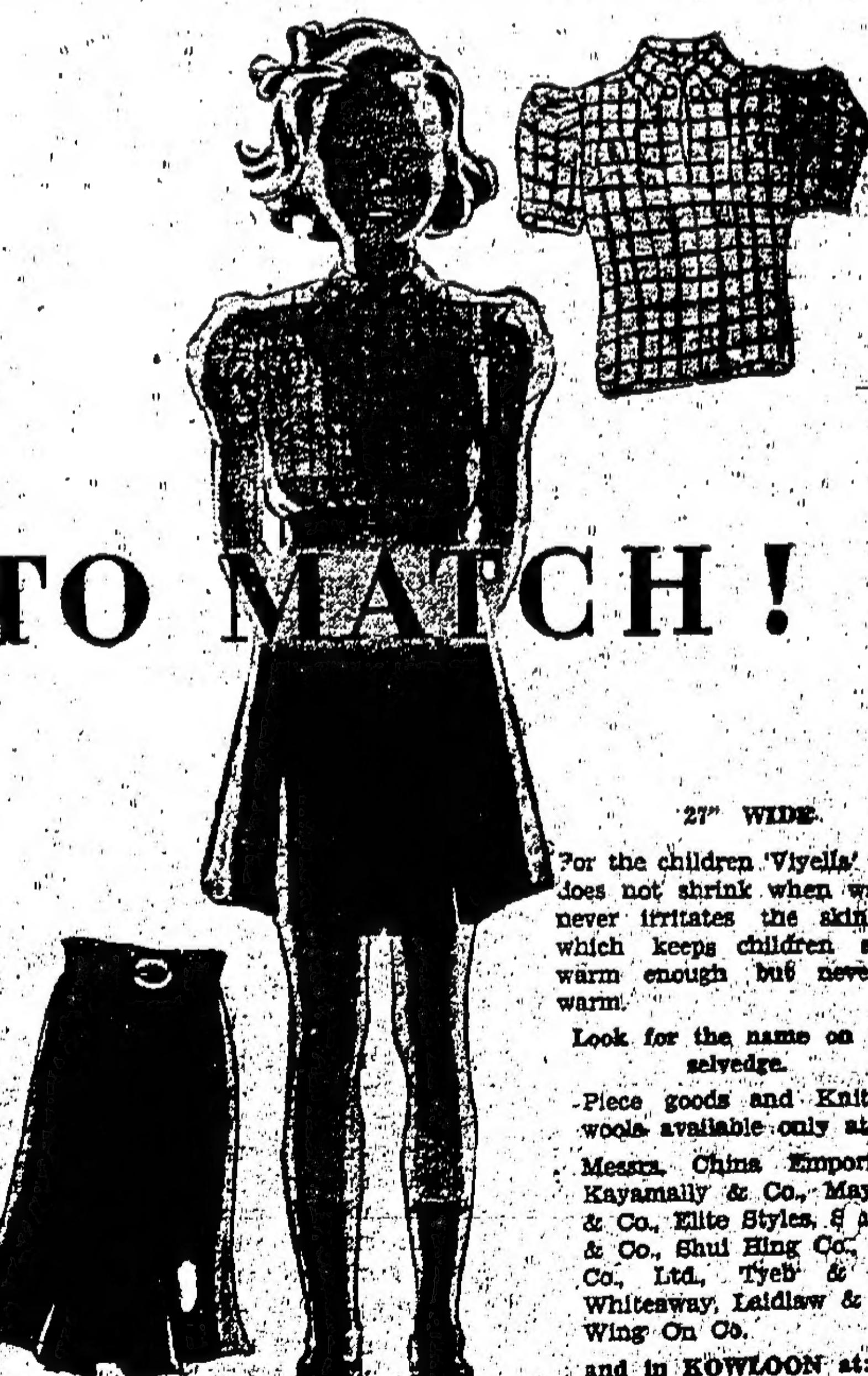
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CHINA TO TIGHTEN ECONOMIC BLOCKADE

CHUNGKING, Oct. 31 (Central)—The Ministry of Economics has circularised the military headquarters in various war zones, the provincial and municipal governments and the war zone economic commissions to tighten the economic blockade against Japan.

They were asked in particular to buy over and conserve necessary materials in the war areas, frustrate Japanese attempts at economic penetration and put into full use the "economic guerrillas."

The "economic guerrillas" are organised by the war area economic commissions and the economic guerrilla warfare headquarters of different provinces. The members work at the front as well as in the "occupied" areas. Besides examining exports and imports to prevent Japanese goods from coming in and native products from going out to enemy controlled territories, they also penetrate enemy lines to buy up native products which would otherwise fall into Japanese hands.

Reviewing China's efforts in blockading Japan economically, Dr. Wong-Wen-hao, Minister of Economics, said that through three emergency measures, China has succeeded to a large degree in defeating Japan's dream of "financing a war with war spoils." First, the National Government, on August 7, 1939, promulgated a set of regulations prohibiting the smuggling of articles by land, water and air to the enemy. Two kinds of articles are included in this list of prohibited goods. One is raw materials for the manufacture of munitions, such as coal, salt, mineral ores and cotton.

OTHER KIND

The other kind has no direct bearing on making military supplies, but its possession by the Japanese will enable them to export to foreign countries in exchange for foreign currency. To this category belong hides, leather, bristles and beans. In addition to ordering military, political and customs authorities to prevent more than sixty kinds of exports from reaching the enemy, the government has also established transportation examination stations at key points to assist in this matter.

The government has announced regulations governing the purchase of such commodities which could otherwise be smuggled out to the enemy. The Foreign Trade Commission of the Ministry of Finance and the Agricultural Credit Administration of the Ministry of Economics have been ordered by the government to buy all these stocks either for export purposes or for military and civilian uses.

In the Japanese-penetrated areas, the people have been urged to change their productive enterprises or to produce just enough for their own consumption. At any rate, the aim is to cut off Japan from utilising China's resources both in the "occupied" and war zones.

Success from this emergency measure can be easily seen from the fact that whereas in 1938 China exported \$118,000,000 of goods to Japan, it dwindled to only \$80,000,000 in 1939. Dr. Wong pointed out.

SMUGGLING MEASURES

Supplementary to the smuggling suppression measures, the government has instituted a system of boycotting goods manufactured in Japan, and its colonies. This ruling also applies to goods made in the occupied areas with Japanese capital and in Japanese-controlled factories. This is a very effective method of boycotting enemy commodities, according to Dr. Wong. It prevents Japan from exchanging goods for China's *fa pi* (legal tender) or products. Also, it cuts down the foreign market of Japanese industrial production.

The government at the same time has not overlooked the problem of supplying the needs of its people. Therefore, it encourages and fosters small industries and handicrafts of all kinds. This is the best time for achieving self-sufficiency and for promoting native products with least competition from cheap Japanese goods, said Dr. Wong.

The boycotting of Japanese products is not limited to China alone, but is being carried out equally effectively among the 10,000,000 Chinese in the South Sea Islands and other parts of the world. Dr. Wong said that it is gratifying to hear that well-known citizens in the peace-loving countries of the United States, Great Britain, India and Australia are also waging an economic war against the Japanese aggressor by sponsoring boycott movements.

The third step of the Chinese government is to extend guerrilla and destructive activities in the "occupied" territories. Japan was able to export \$310,000,000 worth of goods to the "occupied" areas in 1939. This figure showed a substantial increase from the 1937 figures of \$150,000,000 in 1937 and \$200,000.

Finance and Commerce

France Under Nazi Yoke

LONDON, Oct. 31 (Reuter)—How France has suffered under German occupation is revealed in a statement by the Ministry of Economic Warfare which says that at least 800,000 tons of wheat have been removed to Germany from Occupied France.

Bread is now rationed in France at 87 ounces per week.

Meat is rationed at 1½ ounces per week in France but in Germany it is 17 to 20 ounces.

More than 1,000,000 pigs are believed to have been removed from France to Germany during one fortnight in September alone. One thousand cattle were also removed.

The average consumption of butter and oil per head in France before was 17 kilos but now it is reduced to five to six kilos.

TRANSPORTATION DISRUPTED

About 80 per cent. of the French sugar beet crop has been lost owing to the fighting in North France.

French wines have been requisitioned by the Germans and one French firm alone has delivered 12,000,000 bottles of champagne to Germany.

Transport has largely broken down in France because trucks and locomotives have been taken to Germany, and lorry transport is at a standstill owing to the shortage of petrol.

LIQUID MILK CONSUMPTION

NOTABLE INCREASE RECORDED

LONDON, Oct. 31 (BWS)—Consumption of liquid milk in Britain is running at about 14 per cent. above the pre-war level.

This is a notable increase in time of war and of considerable significance for public health.

It is accounted for largely by the greater quantities being drunk by children and nursing mothers under the encouragement of the Food Ministry schemes. The liquid milk sales are at present about 80 gallons monthly.

FUKIEN PROMOTES AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION

FOOCHOW, Oct. 30 (Central)—The harvest of the winter crop this year is expected to be increased by 7,000,000 piculs as a result of the campaign for the promotion of agricultural production sponsored by the Fukien Provincial Government.

For the purpose of the campaign, the Provincial Government appropriated a sum of \$1,260,000, of which \$1,060,000 is to be used as a fund for loans to farmers to finance winter cultivation, while the remaining sum to be devoted to the improvement of methods of farming.

LICENSED FARM EXPORTS

Among the Canadian agricultural product prohibited in war time from export from the Dominion, except under licence, are calves' stomachs, for making rennet used for making cheese, fertilizers, fibre flax, fibre flax seed, cheese, leather, hides, skins and wool. Wool includes wool on the skin, tops, rags, waste, and yarn.

INCREASE EXPORTS VALUE

The value of Canadian agricultural products exported during July, 1940, amounted to 28.6 million dollars compared with 24.7 million dollars in July, 1939. Animals and animal products accounted for 12.8 million dollars, and crop and vegetable products for 15.8 million dollars.

From January to July, 1940, there was a notable increase in the value of exports of wheat, wheat flour, bacon, hams, cheese, eggs, and potatoes, compared with the corresponding seven months of 1939.

WHEAT EXPORTS INCREASE

In spite of the loss of markets in Scandinavia and the Low Countries, Canada's exports of wheat and wheat flour during the past crop year totalled 207.9 million bushels, which was the best volume exported since the 1935-36 crop year when 254 million bushels were exported. The Dominion entered the 1940-41 crop year with a carry-over of almost 301 million bushels.

BIGGER CATTLE SALES

During the first 35 weeks of 1940 ended August 29th, sales of cattle on Canadian stock yards and plants totalled 671,541 head, compared with 643,058 head during the corresponding 35 weeks of 1939. The increase in sales took place largely in July and August principally in Ontario, Quebec, and British Columbia.

BACON AND HAM FOR U.K.

Exports of bacon and ham from Canada during the seven-month period, January to July, 1940, slightly exceeded 188,000,000 lb. For the corresponding period in 1939, total exports were 94,700,000 lb. The present bacon agreement with the United Kingdom will terminate on October 31, 1940. Negotiations are in progress for a renewal of the agreement or the formation of a new one.

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SELLERS

Lands, \$31.
Yau Ma Tei Ferries, \$22.75.
Cements, \$1.16.
Watsons, \$3.10.

SALES

H.K. Banks, \$12.15.
Providents, \$14.45.
Cements, \$1.16.
Watsons, \$3.90.

KIANGSI'S TEA PRODUCTION SATISFACTORY

TAIHO, Oct. 31 (Central)—Kiangsi's tea production for the current year is satisfactory as indicated by reports from the different tea-producing centres.

The total black tea output is over 62,000 cases, including 33,000 cases from Fowling, 15,000 cases from Hokow and 14,000 cases from Sinsing and Tungku.

The total output of green tea is over 90,000 cases, including 88,000 cases from Liuyan and 10,000 from Yushan.

The provincial authorities are making arrangements with the China National Tea Corporation for purchase and transportation.

Kwangtung Finance Commissioner Lauded

SHIUKWAN, Oct. 31 (Central)—Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has addressed a telegram to Mr. Chow Lin, Kwangtung Commissioner of Finance, commanding him for his efforts in eliminating corruption and re-judging finances since his assumption of office.

Dr. H. H. Kung, Vice-President of the Executive Yuan, and con-

currently Minister of Finance, and the Kwangtung Provincial Assembly have also dispatched messages of appreciation to Mr. Chow.

A native of Taipo, Kwangtung, Mr. Chow had been Political Vice-Minister of Finance since August, 1932. He was appointed Kwangtung Commissioner of Finance on August 23, 1940.

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1,180
The total value is \$15,626.00.

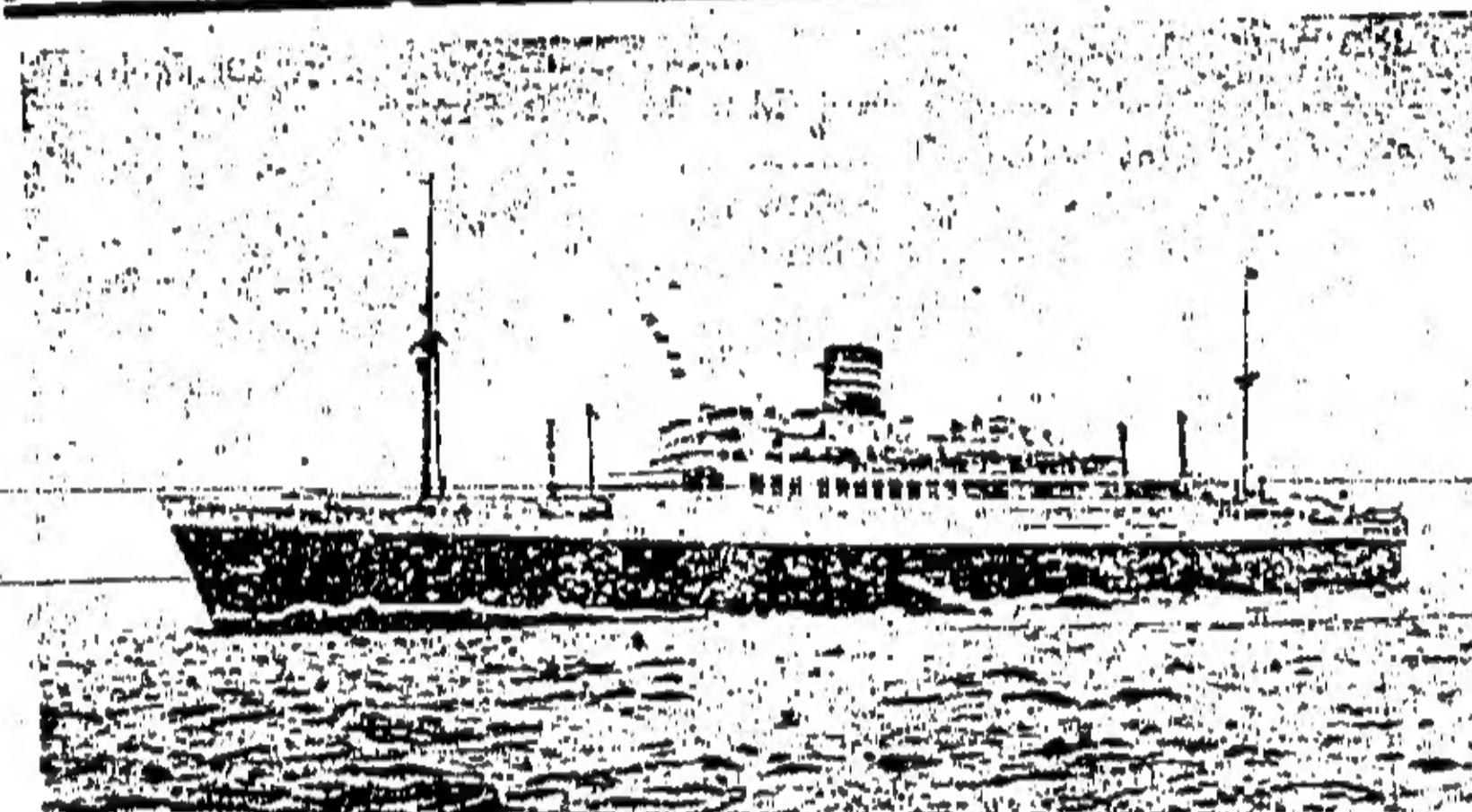
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THAT EVENING THE ISLAND LEARNED OF MUSSOLINI'S DECISION TO ENTER THE WAR as passengers, Captain Rogers had Air Vice-Marshal Sir H. R. M. Brooke-Popham and a dozen R.A.F. pilots who were on their way back to England. They all declared their desire to continue the flight home in spite of the news.

ADVENTUROUS JOURNEY

In the early hours of the following morning, therefore, the party made their way across the island to the bay where the flying-boat was lying. It was an adventurous journey in the half light. Every few hundred yards they were challenged by sentries. At one spot the army lorry which was acting as "vanguard" ran straight into a gigantic barbed-wire entanglement and was wrecked.

Eventually, however, passengers and crew reached the bay without mishap, and preparations were begun for the take-off. This was by no means an easy matter since, as a precautionary measure, considerably more petrol had to be carried than was customary.

ANOTHER COMPLICATION

Another complication was presented when Captain Rogers tested the engines and found that one of the four was only giving just over half the correct power. Great efforts were made by the

WEATHER REPORT

Royal Observatory, Hongkong.
10 a.m. October 31.
Barometer (at sea level), 30.08 ins.
Temperature, 77 F.
Humidity, 71 per cent.
Wind Direction, E.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.
Temperature, maximum yesterday, 83 F.
Temperature, minimum last night, 73 F.
Rainfall for 24 hrs ending 10th today, nil.
Total rainfall since January 1, 113.97 ins.
Against an average of 82.21 ins.
Sunset tonight, 5.47 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 6.27 a.m.
4 p.m., Oct. 31.
Barometer (at sea level), 29.90 ins.
Temperature, 77 F.
Humidity, 71 per cent.
Wind Direction, ESE.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.
Maximum temperature, 80 F.
Minimum temperature, 73 F.
Rainfall, nil.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 1 to 7 Nov. 1940.

HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER		
Days of Month	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Fri. 1	6 a.m. 21.55	6 1 04.00	6 p.m. 15.33	3 2 1 4
Sat. 2	11.30 22.31	8 1 04.46	12.30 16.06	3 5 1 2
Sun. 3	12.30 23.10	6 5 05.25	13.30 16.39	1 3 3 9
Mon. 4	13.33 23.46	5 2 06.28	14.33 17.12	1 5 4 1
Tues. 5	14.45 00.28	5 0 06.23	15.45 17.45	1 9 4 5
Wed. 6	18.05 01.28	5 0 08.23	18.05 18.26	2 2 4 9
Thur. 7	17.24 01.28	5 3 09.30	17.24 20.00	2 5 5 1

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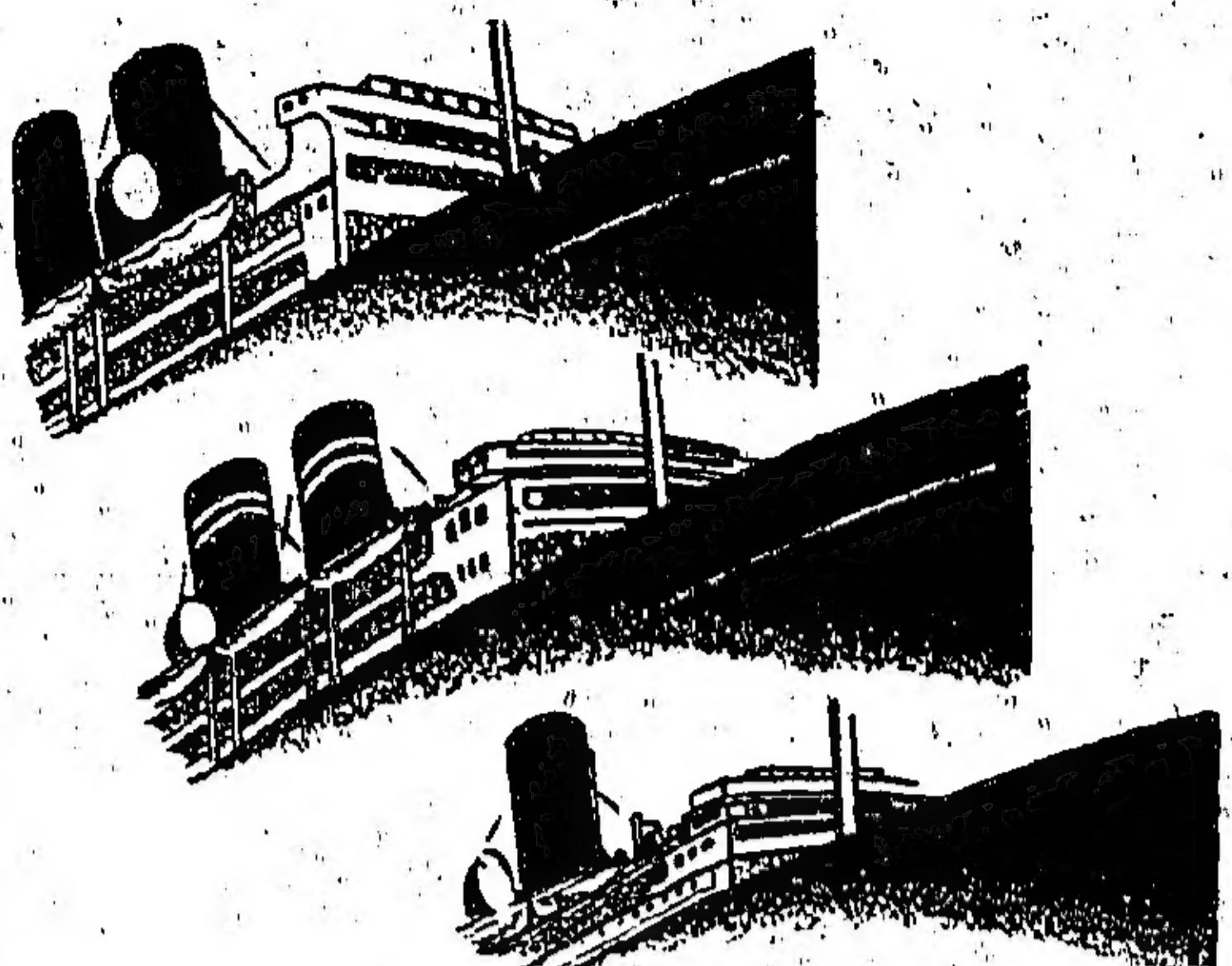
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Fragments of two torpedoes were picked up after the attack and were found by experts to be of Italian manufacture.

The announcement was not made earlier "for reasons of policy, which no longer exist," adds the communiqué.

TRAWLERS SUNK

LONDON, Oct. 31 (Reuter) — The Admiralty announces that two trawlers, Wave Flower and Joseph Buxton, have been sunk by enemy mines.

ENEMY CLAIM

LONDON, Oct. 31 (Reuter) — A German High Command communiqué claims that a warship is operating in overseas waters and announces the sinking of three armed merchant ships with a total of 18,400 tons and adds that a U-boat has sunk a large armed merchant ship of 10,500

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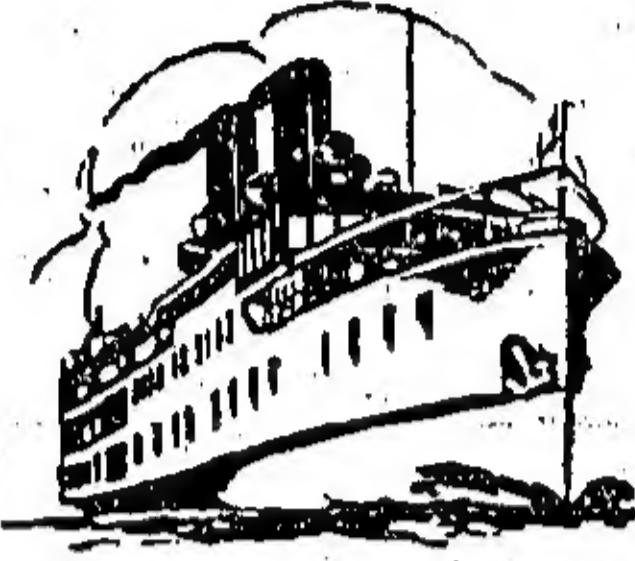
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SOUND FINANCIAL POSITION OF CRAIGENGOWER C.C.

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Elected Life Members

Reference to the Club's sound financial position (despite the fact that the year's profit was only \$4.91 as compared with \$448.90 the previous year) and its very enjoyable season of sporting activities, was made by MR. C. S. ROSELET, Vice-President, while presiding at the 47th annual meeting of the Craigengower Cricket Club yesterday, when MR. R. PESTONJI and MR. L. E. LAMMERT, both of whom have been associated with the Club for over 40 years, were elected Life Members.

Supporting the Chairman at the main table were the following members of the retiring Committee: Messrs. A. B. Hamson, J. W. Leonard, T. Locke, H. W. Randall, L. C. R. Souza, W. K. Way, Dr. N. P. Karanji, Dr. C. W. Lam, and Messrs. A. E. Coates and E. Zimmerman, Hon. Treasurer and Hon. Secretary, respectively.

Mr. B. W. Bradbury was re-elected President. Other officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:—Vice-President, Mr. C. S. Rosselet; Hon. Secretary, Mr. E. Zimmerman; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. H. W. Randall; Committee: Messrs. L. C. R. Souza, A. E. Coates, W. K. Way, L. E. Lammert, W. O. Nodes, J. W. Leonard, Drs. N. P. Karanji and V. N. Atienza.

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CHAIRMAN'S REVIEW

In presenting the report and accounts, Mr. Rosselet said, in part:—

The profit of \$4.91 compares with a profit of \$448.90 last year. On the debit side of the Income and Expenditure account you will notice that compared with last year expenditure has been reduced by nearly \$1,500 made up principally by savings of \$150 in Sundry Expenses, \$100 in Repairs and Renewals, \$190 in Stationery, \$160 in Lighting, \$300 in Lawn Bowls, \$100 in Cricket, \$180 in Tennis, while there was an increase of \$165 in Rates and Taxes. A sum of \$53.00 has been expended for the Library.

On the Credit side you will see that though Bar Sales have dropped, the amount of profit was well maintained.

Billards receipts showed an increase while Sundry receipts dropped by the sum of \$2,764.27.

In looking over the Balance Sheet, two items catch the eye. First, the substantial stock in hand of wines, etc., for which the Club will reap the benefit this coming season. Secondly, you will notice the amount in the bank on Fixed Deposit has dropped by \$2,000. This sum on Fixed Deposit was broken into early in the year to pay for heavy purchases, principally for stocks of wine, etc. Against this we have cash totalling \$5,318.79 compared with \$6,244.74 last year.

I think you will agree with me, however, when I say that the Accounts show the Club to be in a very healthy state financially and considering the great drop in Miscellaneous Receipts the working result is even more satisfactory than the previous year, but in spite of this I regret I cannot repeat the words of the Chairman last year when he said that we could look back on the year with a feeling of quiet satisfaction.

MUCH DELIBERATION

In April last your Committee after much deliberation considered a raise of \$1 in the monthly subscription necessary. In the Club House certain very necessary repairs were planned. An extraordinary meeting of members was called that month to raise the subscription by \$1 and all the plans of your Committee went overboard, the motion being reluctantly defeated.

Had the motion gone through we would have been richer by some \$1,200.00 and the Club would have been by now a better and cheerier place with more facilities for Members.

Coming to the sporting activities of the Club I am pleased to report another highly enjoyable season. In the Bowls section our First team again finished runners-up. Our Second and Third teams did very well without gaining special honours. In the Colony Championships a rink skippered by myself and comprising Messrs. Coates, Landolt and Bassa, won the open Rinks. In

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Parcel post service to Canton is temporarily suspended.

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An air mail service providing a connection with British Overseas Airways at Rangoon will be available during the period of suspension of the Hongkong-Bangkok Service. The postage rates for all destinations will be \$1.50 per $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. for letters and \$0.75 each for postcards. Mail for this service should be superscribed "Via Rangoon" and bear the usual blue air mail label.

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London and Straits	1st Nov.
Java and Manilla	2nd Nov.
London and Straits	2nd Nov.
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U. S. A. and Manilla—(Seattle date, 30th Sept.)	2nd Nov.
London and Straits	3rd Nov.
Java and Manilla	4th Nov.
London and Straits	5th Nov.
Australia and Manilla	6th Nov.
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Calcutta and Straits	12th Nov.
Sandakan	13th Nov.
London and Straits	13th Nov.
U. S. A. Honolulu, Japan, and Manilla (San Francisco date, 31st October)	19th Nov.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan, and Shanghai—(Vancouver date, B. C. date, 1st November)	19th Nov.

OUTWARD MAILS

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Date and Time	
FRI. 1st	
FRIDAY	1.30 PM
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Formosa	K.P.O.
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	Ord. 4.30 PM
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	Ord. 4.30 PM
SAT. 2nd	
SATURDAY	G.P.O. & K.P.O.
Air Mail by Sea to Singapore to connect with the "British Overseas Airways"	Reg. 9.00 AM
	Ord. 9.30 AM
	10.30 AM
K.P.O.	Parcels 4.00 PM
	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 5.30 PM
G.P.O.	Parcels 4.00 PM
	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 5.30 PM
SUN. 3rd	
SUNDAY	9.00 AM
Manila, Batavia, and Mauritius	
MONDAY	
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U. S. A., Canada, Central and South America and United Kingdom via San Francisco (No Parcels for Canada)	
DEPARTURES	
The California Clipper is scheduled to leave this morning taking the following passengers:	
For Manila: Mrs. Elliott Bryant, wife of a U. S. Naval officer, proceeding to join her husband.	
Mr. Michael J. Meier, representative of the Union Oil Co.	
Rev. Otto H. Schmidt, American clergyman on business.	
Mr. Geoffrey S. Wilson, Superintendent of Police, visiting his wife in Manila.	
Mr. Carl Bunje, executive of Madrigal & Co.	
Mr. James A. Duff, American International underwriter, accompanied by his son, David H. Duff.	
Mr. Liang He, Chinese Clipper commuter.	
Mrs. J. Crawford, wife of a P.A.A. radio engineer in Macao, on vacation.	
For Honolulu: Mrs. H. F. Bromley, wife of a National City Bank official en route to New York, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Mary P. Gardner.	
WEDNESDAY	
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U. S. A. and Europe via Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services	
THURSDAY	
Manila, Batavia and Sourabaya	
FRIDAY	
Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane	
Air Mail by Sea to Singapore to connect with the "British Overseas Airways"	
Straits and Calcutta	
FRI. 5th	
G.P.O. & K.P.O.	
Par. 7th 5.00 PM	
Reg. 8th 8.45 AM	
Ord. 8th 9.30 AM	
G.P.O. & K.P.O.	
Reg. 9.30 AM	
Ord. 10.00 AM	
Parcels 10.00 AM	
Letters 11.00 AM	
FRI. 15th	
G.P.O. & K.P.O.	
Par. 14th 5.00 PM	
Reg. 15th 8.30 AM	
G.P.O. & K.P.O.	
Par. 14th 5.00 PM	
Reg. 15th 8.45 AM	
Ord. 15th 9.30 AM	
SAT. 16th	
G.P.O. & K.P.O.	
Parcels 4.00 PM	
Reg. 5.00 PM	
Ord. 5.30 PM	
G.P.O. & K.P.O.	
Parcels 4.00 PM	
Reg. 5.00 PM	
Ord. 5.30 PM	
Shanghai, Japan and Honolulu	
U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America and United Kingdom via San Francisco, No Parcels for Canada and United Kingdom	
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Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	
SATURDAY	
Shanghai, Japan and Honolulu	
U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America and United Kingdom via San Francisco, No Parcels for Canada and United Kingdom	
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